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June 2014

Summer Sizzlers

Select Tuesdays | 6pm | various locations

Preservation Dallas is pleased to present the 2014 season of Summer Sizzlers - our popular series of educational lectures and workshops, offering insights into preservation topics, architecture, and history!

What is the history behind the Pegasus sign? What role did Frank Lloyd Wright play in Dallas? What has been done to keep the San Antonio missions alive for future generations? Who were the La Reunion settlers?

Find out about these and more this summer with Preservation Dallas! For more information and to register, download the [flyer](#), go to our [website](#), or call us at 214-821-3290.

The first session is next Tuesday, June 17th, at White Rock Lake, 6pm. We hope to see you there!

2014 Preservation Achievement Awards

Preservation Dallas presented the 15th Annual Preservation Achievement Awards on May 14th at the historic Texas Theatre in Oak Cliff. Outstanding efforts to preserve the historic places of Dallas were recognized along with the people that contribute to the



preservation of the city's history. Catherine Cuellar of the Dallas Arts District served as the Master of Ceremony this year at the awards event and Dallas Council Member Scott Griggs gave the welcome. This year's awards also included a special tribute to the Bishop Arts District for the incredible transformation of this historic area. To see the Award winning projects/people and Bishop Arts District honoree video, visit [here](#).

Events

Urban Armadillos Pegasus Urban Trails App Launch

Monday | June 16 | 4:30pm | "The Eye" across from the Joule Hotel

Join us and the Urban Armadillos to celebrate the launch of the Pegasus Urban Trails, a fun self-guided walking tour mobile app through the different districts in and around downtown Dallas. Guest speakers include Dallas Council Members Philip Kingston and Adam Medrano, John Crawford of Downtown Dallas Inc., Preservation Dallas Executive Director David Preziosi, and Mike Wyatt and Skyler Baty of Urban Armadillos. Please RSVP by June 13th at reservations@presevationdallas.org or 214-821-3290.

PDYP Happy Hour and Tour

Thursday | June 19 | 5:30pm | Le Meridien Dallas, The Stoneleigh Hotel, 2927 Maple Avenue

Happy hour begins in the Stoneleigh Bar in the hotel lobby beginning at 5:30 p.m. Guided tour of the historic Hotel at 6:30 p.m. Non-members are welcome to attend. New members may join at the happy hour and "pay your age" to receive the full benefits of Preservation Dallas membership (normally \$50) for one year at a discounted rate. Please RSVP on [Facebook](#), email [Preservation Dallas](#), or call us 214-821-3290. Valet parking available.

Preservation Dallas Annual Meeting

**Thursday | June 26 | 6 p.m. | Dallas Municipal Building Annex
2014 Main Street 75201 | Second Floor Jury Assembly Room**

This years Annual Meeting will be held in the 2014 Preservation Achievement Award winning, mid-century modern Municipal Annex. Access the staircase via the Main Street entrance. Metered and lot parking is available. Reservations are required for this complimentary members only event, and beverages will be provided. Please [email](#) or call 214-821-3290.

New Members

Individual

Mayor Douglas Athas

Elise Decleva

Colin Fitzgibbons

Stephen Harrison

Sarah Catherine Norris

Martin Proctor Jr.

George Matthew Pruitt

Urban Armadillos

Shawnda Brown

Kristen Harrison

Jenny Houseman

Kirby White

Celeste Yaeger

William Daniel

Matt Hyman

Melanie Wick Daugherty

Bryan Marsh

Welcome and thank you to our new members!

Preservation Issues

The work on the Conservation District enabling ordinance continues on to another month. On May 8, the City Plan Commission (CPC) heard more testimony, both for and against the proposed changes to the ordinance. At that meeting the CPC sent the review of the ordinance back to the Zoning Ordinance Committee (ZOC) for further consideration of six specific issues. Since then, two ZOC meetings have taken place with at least one more to go. At the meetings, presentations on the six items for consideration were given by City Staff, the Dallas Homeowners League, and the Dallas Builders Association. Preservation Dallas put together a position statement on the items to be addressed and presented that to the ZOC for consideration. To read the statement click [here](#). So far three of the six items have been discussed at ZOC and at the next meeting the remaining three will be discussed. They will also decide whether or not they would like to hold additional meetings before returning the issue back to the CPC.

In addition Preservation Dallas is also working on several other preservation issues including 1611 Main Street, Corrigan Tower, the Greenville Pump Station, historic DISD schools, energy code, and more.



1611 Main Street on the left, Corrigan Tower in the center (image courtesy of Dallas AIA), and the Greenville Pump Station on the right.

Director's Letter

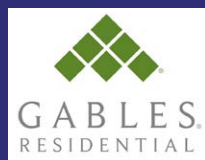
David Preziosi

Exciting news for downtown Dallas as two new rehabilitation projects were recently announced! Both the Statler Hilton and the LTV building are now undergoing work to transform them from vacant properties into new mixed use developments that will help contribute to the vitality of downtown. Centurion American is working to redevelop the Statler Hilton, and the neighboring former Dallas Public Library, into a mix of retail, office, hotel, apartments, and more. The LTV building is also undergoing mixed use redevelopment with similar uses as the Statler. HRI Properties out of New Orleans is the developer for that project. This adds to the other downtown rehabilitation projects underway including 211 N. Ervay, the Lone Star Gas building with accompanying Atmos buildings, and the Tower building.

Even with this good news about redevelopment of historic properties there is also concern for the future of other historic buildings as development pressure continues in downtown. This is evidenced by the recent announcement of the potential demolition of 1611 Main Street to make way for new development on the site. That building is a very significant early commercial building for Dallas built around 1905 as a two-story structure and then later expanded to a three-story building with a stone façade. It is one of the few remaining low-scale buildings left in the commercial core. There is also a possibility that the 1952 Corrigan Tower could be altered with the redevelopment of the Tower building. Both 1611 Main and the Corrigan Tower are listed as contributing structures to the Dallas Downtown National Register of Historic Places historic district. 1611 Main does not fall in a City of Dallas Landmark district so there are no city protections from demolition. Corrigan Tower is located in the City of Dallas Harwood Historic District; although, in that district it is listed as a non-compatible building. So right now the future is uncertain for both buildings.

Speaking of downtown, don't forget to check out the Pegasus Urban Trails mobile app! This fun app has trails through downtown Dallas districts with information about select sites on the trails. It is now available for download on Google Play or at the App Store on iTunes. Next Monday we will officially announce the availability of the app to the public at our launch event. This two year project could not have been accomplished without the work of the Urban Armadillos, the Preservation Dallas board and staff, and financial support from of AT&T, Downtown Dallas, Inc. and the Fondren Preservation Fund of the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

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